REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration and allowance of the subject application. Claims 17-28 have been canceled, and claims 1-16 are pending.

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Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121

The claims of the subject application are subjected to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 and are characterized by the Office as containing two patentably distinct inventions:

- I. Claims 1-16 drawn to "a computing device to operate as both [a] pointing device and a scanning device"; and
 - II. Claims 17-28 drawn to "an input device having a virtual scan mode".

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 1-16 (group I), and to cancel claims 17-28 (group II) without prejudice.

Conclusion

Pending claims 1-16 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests consideration and issuance of the subject application. If any issues remain that preclude issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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